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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Some of It May Interest You; All Of It Is Worth a Perusal

The members of the board of county supervisors are entitled to the commendation of every resident of the county for the action taken to secure a number of new bridges in the county. Money spent for the improvement of the public highways is money spent well and The News believes that the board has acted wisely in calling a bond election to secure money for bridge building purposes. It is now the duty of the taxpayers to vote for the bonds in January and thereby assure this needed improvement in the highways.

Attorney C. H. Jordan is not fully convinced that bachelor life in Holbrook in the winter-time is the pleasant life. It may be well enough in the summer-time, when there are no fires to build, and restaurant menus contain a greater variety of foods, but in the wintertime—well, it's different. Mrs. Jordan is spending the winter in El Paso, and, if indications about the county attorney's office are to be relied upon, The News will chronicle the departure of Mr. Jordan for that city in a short time.

A new switchboard was installed in the local office of the Navajo-Apache Telephone system this week. The switchboard is a handsome piece of furniture; it will accommodate 300 telephones and while it is now equipped for manual manipulation, it can be readily converted into the automatic should occasion require. Manager Woods states that the change from the old switchboard to the new will be made at night and that the service will not be interfered with during business hours.

W. A. Barnum of Phoenix, attorney for the state livestock association, was in Holbrook last Monday. He had intended going on to St. Johns to try a case of cattle stealing, but found upon his arrival here that the superior court of Apache county would not convene in jury session until Dec. 14; he therefore returned to Phoenix. Attorney Barnum was at one time judge of the district court in Oklahoma, and is an old acquaintance of Judge Sapp, who resided in Oklahoma at that time.

A concert recital was given in the Pastime theater last Friday night by the St. Johns Stake academy. The program was good and it was rendered in a pleasing manner. The attendance was not so large as it might have been had the performance been better advertised. A dance followed the concert, and this was well patronized.

Ladies in Holbrook and vicinity are respectfully invited to call and examine my sample line of dress goods and coats. I have a large and excellent assortment, and can make you very reasonable prices. Fit and satisfaction guaranteed. Albert Warren, the tailor, opposite Hotel Holbrook.

The city council of Winslow has taken preliminary steps towards securing a gas plant for that city. B. A. Hayden of Los Angeles has asked for a franchise and an election will be called by the council at its regular meeting this month.

Dr. J. W. Bazell left here last Saturday evening for Los Angeles where he will spend several weeks. During his absence his brother, Dr. R. G. Bazell, of Winslow, will attend to the duties of county physician.

B. B. Crosby of Eagar was a Holbrook visitor last Sunday.

Fresh Jersey milk and cream at Rencher's. Phone 47. tf

Attorney E. P. Conwell of Holbrook transacted business in Holbrook last Saturday.

The board of county supervisors will meet in regular monthly session next Monday.

H. J. Ramer, of Canyon Creek, was in town Monday for a load of supplies for his ranch.

Dr. O. S. Brown of Winslow was in Holbrook last Saturday on professional business.

Misses Cecilia and Clara Barth, of St. Johns, spent last Saturday and Sunday in Holbrook.

Christmas will soon be here; place your orders now for picture framing with H. D. Steele.

Superintendent Cornelius of the Winslow schools was in Holbrook last Friday afternoon on business.

Order your Christmas cakes and home-made candies from the Holbrook Bakery. All goods first class. tf

W. J. Hookway, local Santa Fe agent, made a business trip to Albuquerque Sunday night, returning Tuesday morning.

A jury session of the superior court will be opened in Holbrook next Tuesday. Several important cases will be called for trial at that time.

The state normal school students, who had been spending the Thanksgiving vacation with relatives in Holbrook, returned to Flagstaff Sunday.

The exposition in San Francisco will close tomorrow night. This is probably the greatest exposition ever held and in every respect it has been a success.

Place your orders now for coal with the Carbon City Lumber Co. They handle the Victor American Fuel Co's lump coal, best on the market. tf

Mrs. C. R. Kelly resumed her duties in the Navajo-Apache bank last Monday, after an absence of several weeks during which she was ill of typhoid fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. P. Cooley, of Cooley's Ranch, returned to their home last Sunday after a few days' visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Matthews in Holbrook.

Judge D. J. Thomas and family made an automobile trip to St. Joseph last Sunday. Judge Thomas now drives a Hupmobile, and finds its operation almost as easy as that of a 4d.

Attorney F. W. Nelson, cashier of the St. Johns branch of the Navajo-Apache Bank and Trust Co., was in Holbrook last Saturday, enroute to his home from a business trip to Winslow.

E. P. Adams of Phoenix, assistant state engineer, spent several days in this vicinity this week checking up the work being done by the state on the highways and bridges.

Call and examine our new fall and winter stock of ladies' ready-to-wear suits. It will please you both in style and price. H. H. Scorse. tf

Max Schuster returned to Holbrook last Friday from a month's visit in California. He spent some time in San Francisco visiting the exposition; the balance of his visit was devoted to Los Angeles.

Father Geo. Marx of Winslow was in Holbrook last Monday directing the placing of the seats in the new Catholic chapel. These seats were delayed in shipment and did not reach Holbrook until last Saturday.

Communication From County Superintendent

Holbrook, Arizona, Dec. 1, 1915

Editor Holbrook News, Holbrook, Arizona.

Dear Sir: Will you kindly give space to a brief reply to articles recently appearing in the Winslow Mail concerning the Teachers' Institute held at Phoenix?

Some of the statements made show the writer to be misinformed or to be inspired with a desire to be unfair. It is alleged that the county superintendent forced the teachers of the county to attend in opposition to their almost unanimous protest. The fact is that the county superintendent wrote letters to all teachers whose addresses he had at the time, inquiring as to their desires in the matter of holding institute at Phoenix, at Prescott, or within the county. Such a letter was mailed to the superintendent of schools at Winslow.

Of the written replies to those letters a large majority voted for Phoenix; Prescott was second, with the local institute a very poor third. Not a single teacher extended an invitation to hold the institute within his district.

Now as to the benefits derived: The Mail alleges that they were nil. This reflection on the intelligence of the teachers should be resented by every progressive member of the profession. The writer takes this opportunity of informing the Mail that its informant was not authorized to speak for the teachers of the whole county. Neither does he believe that said informant voices the sentiments of the entire teaching body of Winslow. These teachers are progressive, and it is doubtful if a single one of them is mourning over the \$5 the Mail wails about. The writer has attended many institutes in his day and he remembers not one case where he got off so lightly.

The institute was a success as such gatherings go. The writer has attended many that were not so good—some of them within our own county. Some teachers, according to their own testimonies, received compensative for both time and money from a single lecture. Talk to the teachers from your own district, Mr. Editor. You have heard no wail from them.

Now as to the "lot of explaining to do next year when he wants a re-election to his job." It has been, Mr. Editor, the desire of the writer to treat everybody fairly. He desires the good will of the people whom he serves, if such good will can be obtained by fairness and the performance of his duty as he sees it. No act of his has been performed with re-election as the incentive.

Every public servant should try to obtain a proper conception of what the laws of the commonwealth require of him and then perform his duties without fear or favor, always remembering that he is serving all and not a favored few.

Thanking you for the space in your valuable paper, the writer subscribes himself,

Yours truly,

JOSEPH PETERSON.

Albert Warren, Holbrook's merchant tailor, solicits your business. His line of men's and women's suitings is very complete and his prices are reasonable. Fit and satisfaction guaranteed. Give him an order. He also does cleaning and pressing in the best and most satisfactory style. Opposite Hotel Holbrook.

Livestock Business is Big

The shipment of livestock from Holbrook during the shipping season which ended November 30 has been very large. Through the courtesy of W. J. Hookway, local agent for the Santa Fe Railroad company, The News is able to publish the number of cars of sheep, cattle, horses and wool sent out of Holbrook during the season.

The total number of car loads shipped is 681. This is divided as follows: Sheep 425 cars; cattle 222 cars; wool 33 cars; horses 1 car.

The approximate number of sheep to a car is 250 head, the 425 car loads carrying 106,250 head. These sheep brought the owners probably \$4.00 per head, or a total of \$425,000.00.

The number of cattle in the 222 car loads shipped is approximately 40 to a car, or a total of 8,880 head. The amount of money received by the owners per head was probably \$40.00, a total for the 222 cars of \$355,200.00.

The 33 car loads of wool contained about 1,000,000 pounds, which at 20 cent. per pound brought the shippers \$200,000.00.

The car load of horses probably brought the sellers \$2,000.

The grand total of money received by growers of livestock in this locality reaches the handsome sum of \$980,000.00, nearly a million dollars.

The amount of money paid local shippers has been estimated as no figures are available as to the prices received by each individual. The number of cars is accurate, and is furnished by the railroad company. The actual amount may be in excess of one million dollars; anyhow it is a neat sum of money to be distributed among the livestock raisers of the community, and the benefits of such an influx of wealth will be far reaching.

An Enterprising Citizen

Since time immemorial the man who causes several blades of grass to grow where but one grew before has received the plaudits of the people. Likewise should the man be commended who causes several houses to arise where one, or none, stood before. Such a man is Julius Wetzler, who during the last few months has built a number of modern residences in Holbrook, and is planning to continue the same laudable enterprise.

Mr. Wetzler's action is especially praiseworthy because additional dwelling houses are badly needed in Holbrook. The scarcity of residence properties in the town has prevented many people from locating here. People looking for a new location often have not the time to build homes for themselves; if they find houses already built, which they can buy or rent upon reasonable terms, they will come; otherwise they go on to another town where things are different. Hence we say that Mr. Wetzler is entitled to the commendation of every person who has an interest in the future growth of Holbrook.

The fact that a man of Mr. Wetzler's wealth and business acumen believes that Holbrook is a good place to invest money is evidence that the business situation here is sound; and that investments made here will bring handsome returns.

The date for holding a jury session of the superior court in Apache county has been changed from November 30 to December 14.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

THE MERCHANTS & STOCK GROWERS BANK

At Holbrook, Arizona, in the State of Arizona, at the close of business November 10th, 1915.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, less due from Directors.....	231,897.34
Overdrafts.....	1,599.89
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures.....	9,500.00
Real Estate.....	1,250.00
Current Expenses and Taxes paid.....	6,881.70
Specie.....	4,799.71
Legal Tender and National Bank Notes.....	6,798.00
Exchanges for Clearing.....	853.45
Due from State and National Banks, Approved Reserve Agents.....	139,440.08
Due from State and National Banks not Reserve Agents.....	11,312.52
Mexican Silver.....	85.00
Total.....	414,417.69

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in.....	50,000.00
Surplus.....	30,000.00
Undivided Profits.....	12,470.34
Individual Deposits subject to check.....	246,176.26
Time Certificates of Deposit.....	74,958.08
Cashier's checks outstanding.....	211.10
Due State National Banks.....	601.91
Total.....	414,417.69

State of Arizona, County of Navajo, ss I. D. J. Thomas, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

D. J. THOMAS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of November, 1915.

(SEAL)

CLARENCE H. JORDAN, Notary Public, Com. Expires February 22, 1916.

Correct-Attest

JNO. R. HULET,

H. H. SCORSE, Directors.

THE ARIZONA COWBOY

By HARRY E. RIESEBERG

He wears a big hat and big spurs and all that,
And leggins of fancy fringed leather;
He takes pride in his boots and the pistol he shoots,
And he's happy in all kinds of weather.
He is fond of his horse—'tis a broncho, of course,
For, oh, he can ride like the Devil;
He is old for his years, and he always appears,
To be foremost at round-up or revel.
He can sing, he can cook, yet his eyes have a look
Of a man that to fear is a stranger;
Yes, his cool, quiet nerve will always subserve
In his wild life of duty and danger.
He gets little to eat and he guys tenderfeet,
And for Fashion—oh, well, he's 'not in it!'
He can rope a gay steer when he gets on his ear,
At the rate of two-fifty a minute!
His saddles' the best in the wild, woolly West,
Sometimes it will cost sixty dollars;
Ah, he knows all the tricks, when he brands "mavericks,"
But his learnings' not gained from your scholars.
He is loyal as steel, but demands a square deal,
And he hates and despises a coward.
Yet the cowboy you'll find unto women is kind,
Though he'll fight till by death overpowered.
Hence I say unto you, give the cowboy his due,
And be kinder, my friends, towards his folly;
For he's generous and brave, though he may not behave
Like your dudes, who are so melancholy.

H. W. Hughes, Holbrook's enterprising jeweler, has purchased a large and exceptionally well assorted stock of watches, diamonds and jewelry for holiday trade. Examine his stock and get prices before buying your Christmas presents.

C. G. Wallace of Manila transacted business in Holbrook Tuesday.

Buy Certainteed roofing, the best prepared roofing made, of the Carbon City Lumber Co. tf

The Merchants & Stockgrowers Bank has had a very attractive sign placed on the front windows of the bank building this week. The work was done by two traveling artists; it is made in gold leaf and is an artistic piece of work.